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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Debate on the committee amendment, Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I support the committee amendments and, I apologize, I'd like to ask Senator Hudkins a question, if I may. I need to leave. And this is on the main bill, Senator Hudkins. The change in fee schedule, where you're rolling four parts into one, is that designed to be revenue neutral, or is that an increase or a decrease or...? Their cash balance is getting fairly high in that...in that agency and I was interested in what the effect of this would be.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Yes, thank you, Senator Wehrbein. The...the Real Estate Appraiser Board, if you had had a chance to read your fiscal note, they don't intend to raise the fees at all. They're going to probably leave them where they are. But they wanted to...there were different schedules of fees. If you were one class, your fee was this much; if you were in a different class, it was a different amount, and they just wanted the authority to have all of those fees the same. But right now they, to my knowledge and my understanding, they have no plans to raise the fees to what they could have.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: And so they intend to be flexible. That's kind of what I wanted to hear and I wanted to have it on the record, in a way, because...but I am going to be leaving. I just wanted to be sure I had that correct, so thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Further debate on the committee amendments? Senator Landis, you're recognized to close on the committee amendments. He waives that closing. The question before the body is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 162. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The committee amendments are adopted.